

## Message Text

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ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 IO-13 ISO-00 CIAE-00 COME-00 EB-08 INR-07  
LAB-04 NSAE-00 SIL-01 DODE-00 PA-01 USIA-06  
PRS-01 SP-02 /056 W  
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R 241740Z MAR 77  
FM AMEMBASSY MADRID  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2212  
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USMISSION GENEVA

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ELAB, SP  
SUBJECT: LEGALIZATION OF TRADE UNIONS BILL ABOUT TO BE PASSED

1. WELL OVER TWO-AND-A-HALF MONTHS AFTER ITS SUBMISSION  
FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CORTES, THE GOVT'S BILL LEGALIZING  
TRADE UNIONS MAY FINALLY BE APPROVED. AFTER WEEKS OF  
PROLONGED DEBATE IN COMMITTEE FOLLOWED BY A LENGTHY RECESS,  
THE BILL WILL FINALLY COME UP IN PLENARY SESSION WHEN THE  
CORTES CONVENES AGAIN ON MARCH 30. OBSERVERS GENERALLY  
DO NOT DOUBT THAT IT WILL PASS, BUT ONLY AFTER SOME SHARP  
DEBATES (INCLUDING 14 PROPOSED ADMENDMENTS). ALTHOUGH  
SYNDICAL RELATIONS MINISTER DE LA MATA HAD PRIVATELY BEEN  
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PREDICTING PASSAGE BEFORE NOW AND HAS BEEN DISTRESSED  
AT THE DELAY, WE NOTE THAT HE PRUDENTLY ASSURED ICFTU  
PRESIDENT OTTO KERSTEN IN A PUBLIC STATEMENT THAT THE  
UNIONS WOULD BE LEGALIZED "BY MAY 1" (MADRID 858). EATON

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## Message Attributes

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